

**TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL NOTES**

1. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT A SITE SPECIFIC TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN TO THE ENGINEER FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION. CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS SHALL NOT BEGIN UNTIL THE TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN IS APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INCLUDE A CONSTRUCTION SIGN PACKAGE FOR EXPECTED LANE CLOSURES, WORK ZONE SPEED REDUCTIONS AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LATEST EDITION OF THE MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (MUTCD). THE COST OF PREPARING THIS PLAN (AND MAKING CHANGES IF NECESSARY) WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR ITEM 641.10 TRAFFIC CONTROL.
2. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL POSITION PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS (PCMS) WARNING MOTORISTS OF THE EXPECTED ROADWAY CONDITIONS AHEAD. THE MESSAGE TO BE DISPLAYED AND THEIR PROPOSED LOCATIONS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE ENGINEER IN ADVANCE FOR APPROVAL. THE PCMS SHOULD BE RELOCATED AS DETERMINED BY THE ENGINEER TO PROVIDE WORK ZONE TRAVEL INFORMATION THAT IS OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO CONVEY WITH STATIC SIGNS. THE COST OF PROVIDING THESE MESSAGE SIGNS AND THEIR RELOCATION IF NECESSARY WILL BE PAID UNDER ITEM 641.15 PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGN.  
THE PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS (PCMS) AND THE MESSAGE IT DISPLAYS SHOULD NOT REPLACE ANY OF THE SIGNING DETAILED IN THE MUTCD AND SHOULD NOT BE USED IF STANDARD TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ADEQUATELY PROVIDE THE INFORMATION THE MOTORISTS NEED TO TRAVERSE THE WORK ZONE SAFELY. THE PCMS SHALL CONSIST OF EITHER ONE OR TWO PHASES, TYPICALLY, A PHASE SHALL CONSIST OF UP TO THREE LINES OF EIGHT CHARACTERS PER LINE. THE PCMS SHOULD BE USED AS A SUPPLEMENT AND NOT AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR CONVENTIONAL STATIC SIGNS AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS. THE PCMS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WHAT INFORMATION MOTORIST WILL NEED TO KNOW, UNNECESSARY INFORMATION SHOULD BE AVOIDED. MESSAGES SHOULD BE UPDATED PERIODICALLY TO DESCRIBE CURRENT WORK ACTIVITY SO THAT THE PCMS CONTINUES TO COMMAND ATTENTION OF THE MOTORISTS.
3. THE BID PRICE FOR ITEM 641.10 TRAFFIC CONTROL SHALL INCLUDE BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING, AS NEEDED: APPROACH AND ON-PROJECT CONSTRUCTION SIGNING, PORTABLE FLASHING ARROW BOARDS, BARRIERS, BARRELS, CONES, BARRICADES, TEMPORARY REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS, AND POSTS AS DETAILED IN THE MUTCD AND VAOT STANDARDS. ALL ADJUSTING, RELOCATING AND REMOVING OF THESE DEVICES AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER SHALL ALSO BE INCLUDED.
4. THE LATEST EDITION OF THE MUTCD SHALL BE THE STANDARD FOR ALL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES. EXISTING SIGNS AND MARKINGS SHALL BE VALID UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY ARE REPLACED OR RECONSTRUCTED. WHEN NEW TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ARE ERECTED OR PLACED, OR EXISTING TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ARE REPLACED OR REPAIRED, THE EQUIPMENT, DESIGN, METHOD OF INSTALLATION, PLACEMENT OR REPAIR SHALL CONFORM WITH SUCH STANDARDS.
5. NO CONSTRUCTION SIGNS SHALL BE INSTALLED AS TO INTERFERE OR OBSTRUCT THE VIEW OF EXISTING TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, STOPPING SIGHT DISTANCE, AND CORNER SIGHT DISTANCE FROM DRIVES AND TOWN HIGHWAYS. EXISTING SIGNS WHICH CONFLICT WITH TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL SHALL BE COMPLETELY COVERED OR REMOVED.
6. SEE VAOT STANDARDS T-10 AND T-17 FOR ADDITIONAL SIGN PLACEMENT DETAILS.
7. CONSTRUCTION ZONE SIGN LAYOUT SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 6 OF THE LATEST EDITION OF THE MUTCD, AND AS OUTLINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
8. CONSTRUCTION SIGNS SHALL BE IN NEW OR LIKE NEW CONDITION PER VAOT STANDARDS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
9. DIAMOND SHAPED SIGNS SHALL BE FOUR FOOT BY FOUR FOOT WITH BLACK TEXT AND BORDER ON A RETROREFLECTIVE FLUORESCENT ORANGE BACKGROUND.
10. RETROREFLECTIVE SHEETING SHALL BE AS NOTED ON VAOT STANDARD T-1 AND IN SUBSECTION 750.08.

11. WHERE TEMPORARY SIGNS ARE PLACED BEHIND GUARDRAIL, THEY SHALL BE ADJUSTED SUCH THAT THE BOTTOMS OF THE SIGNS ARE ABOVE THE TOP OF THE GUARDRAIL.
12. AS THE CONSTRUCTION OPERATION MOVES, FLAGGER SIGNS SHALL BE MOVED ACCORDINGLY. AT NO TIME SHOULD THE FLAGGER SYMBOL SIGN BE MORE THAN 500 FEET FROM THE FLAGGER STATION. FLAGGER SIGNS SHALL BE COVERED OR TURNED AWAY FROM TRAFFIC WHEN FLAGGING OPERATIONS CEASE FOR LONGER THAN 15 MINUTES.
13. BARRELS AND CONES SHALL BE USED TO CLEARLY DEFINE THE TRAVEL SPACE AND PROVIDE SEPARATION FROM THE WORK SPACE ALONG ITS ENTIRE LENGTH.
14. FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL GENERAL NOTES, SEE VAOT STANDARD T-1.
15. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ACCESS THROUGH THE WORK ZONE AND MAINTAIN ACCESS TO ALL PROPERTIES FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES AT ALL TIMES. ACCESS TO ALL COMMERCIAL AND MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES SHALL BE MAINTAINED DURING BUSINESS HOURS. ACCESS TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES MAY BE RESTRICTED FOR A SHORT DURATION (A FEW HOURS). THIS WORK SHALL BE COORDINATED WITH THE OWNER. COORDINATE MAJOR WORK ON COMMERCIAL OR MUNICIPAL ACCESSES WITH THE OWNER AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO STARTING THE WORK. ALL ACCESSES SHALL ALSO BE KEPT FREE OF WORK AND TRAFFIC CONTROLLED BY UNIFORMED TRAFFIC OFFICERS OR FLAGGERS AS REQUIRED BY THE ENGINEER.
16. A MINIMUM LANE WIDTH OF 10 FEET SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES, INCLUDING SHOULDERS. THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL BE NOTIFIED FOR SUPER LOAD PERMIT ROUTING. THE APPLICANT HAS TEN (10) DAYS TO MOVE THEIR LOAD ONCE A PERMIT IS ISSUED. ADVANCE NOTICE MAY BE REQUIRED TO ENSURE ADEQUATE TIME IS PROVIDED.
17. WHEN COLD PLANED BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT IS OPEN TO TRAFFIC, A "MOTORCYCLES USE CAUTION" SIGN, AS PER VAOT STANDARD T-17, SHALL BE PROVIDED.
18. THE CONTRACTOR SHOULD LEAVE NO LONGITUDINAL DROP-OFFS DURING THE OVERNIGHT HOURS. THEREFORE, THE FULL ROADWAY WIDTH SHOULD BE COLD PLANED OR PAVED DURING THE DAILY WORK PERIOD. WHEN NECESSARY, DROP-OFF PROTECTION IN THESE AREAS SHALL CONFORM TO VAOT STANDARD T-36.
19. TRAFFIC SHALL NOT BE CHANGED FROM ONE TRAFFIC PATTERN TO THE NEXT TRAFFIC PATTERN UNTIL ALL TEMPORARY MARKINGS AND SIGNING WORK ARE COMPLETED. ANY CONFLICTING MARKINGS SHALL BE REMOVED.
20. ALL REASONABLE EFFORTS SHALL BE MADE TO ACCOMMODATE PEDESTRIAN TRAVEL AT ALL TIMES. THIS CAN INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO A DEDICATED PEDESTRIAN ESCORT, SIGNAGE AND CONED OFF WALKING AREAS WITHIN CLOSED LANES. FLAGGERS SHALL NOT BE USED AS PEDESTRIAN ESCORTS. WHEN EXISTING PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ARE DISRUPTED, CLOSED, OR RELOCATED IN A TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL ZONE, THE TEMPORARY FACILITIES SHALL BE DETECTABLE AND SHALL INCLUDE ACCESSIBILITY FEATURES CONSISTENT WITH THE FEATURES PRESENT IN THE EXISTING PEDESTRIAN FACILITY. PAYMENT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BIT FOR ITEM 641.10 TRAFFIC CONTROL.
21. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE UTO (UNIFORMED TRAFFIC OFFICER), UNDER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY LAW (TITLE 23 VSA) MAY DIRECT AND CONTROL TRAFFIC. SUITABLE EXAMPLES IN WORK MIGHT INCLUDE THE DIRECTION AND CONTROLS OF TRAFFIC AT INTERSECTIONS WHERE SIGNALS ARE NOT FUNCTIONING OR ARE MALFUNCTIONING. IN THESE CASES, THE PRESENCE OF THE BLUE LIGHT MAY NOT BE SUITABLE OR NECESSARY. THE WEARING OF DEPARTMENTALLY REQUIRED AND APPROVED REFLECTIVE GARMENTS IS REQUIRED. UTO (UNIFORMED TRAFFIC OFFICER) WILL BE PAID UNDER ITEM 630.10 UNIFORMED TRAFFIC OFFICERS.

**TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC CONTROL NOTES**

1. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAINTAIN PEDESTRIAN THROUGH MOVEMENTS FROM ONE END OF THE CONSTRUCTION AREA TO THE OTHER, ON AT LEAST ONE SIDE OF THE STREET DURING CONSTRUCTION. ANY SIDEWALK CLOSURES SHALL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MUTCD, PART 6.
2. PEDESTRIAN ACCESS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ALL ADJACENT PROPERTIES, BUILDINGS, RESIDENCES AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES AT ALL TIMES. THIS MAY INCLUDE TEMPORARY WALKWAYS SPANNING THE CONSTRUCTION AREA.
3. IF SIDEWALKS ARE CLOSED, A TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ROUTE (TPAR) SHALL BE PROVIDED ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE ROAD AS THE CLOSED SIDEWALK, IF POSSIBLE. SIGNS AND BARRICADES SHALL BE USED TO PROVIDE ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE CLOSURE AND THE ROUTE OF ANY PEDESTRIAN DETOURS. THE TPAR SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM UNOBSTRUCTED WIDTH OF FOUR FEET. IF THE TPAR IS LESS THAN FIVE FEET IN WIDTH, A FIVE FOOT BY FIVE FOOT PASSING SPACE SHALL BE PROVIDED AT LEAST EVERY 200 FEET. THE SURFACE OF THE TPAR SHALL BE SMOOTH AND CONTINUOUS FOR THE LENGTH OF THE TPAR. THE TPAR SHALL MAINTAIN THE SAME LEVEL OF ACCESSIBILITY AND DETECTABILITY AS THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING CLOSED. THE TPAR SHALL NOT LEAD PEDESTRIANS INTO CONFLICTS WITH VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT, OR CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS.
4. IF THE TPAR IS ADJACENT TO MOVING TRAFFIC, CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS/EQUIPMENT, OR DROP-OFFS, THEN CRASH WORTHY CHANNELIZING DEVICES THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MUTCD SHALL BE USED.
5. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT STORE OR PLACE ANY CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT OR SIGNS IN THE PEDESTRIAN PATH OR TRAVEL.
6. THE CONTRACTOR'S OPERATIONS SHALL NOT OCCUPY SIDEWALKS EXCEPT WHERE PROPER PROTECTION AND A TPAR HAVE BEEN PROVIDED.
7. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT A TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN FOR REVIEW AND WRITTEN APPROVAL A MINIMUM OF THREE WEEKS BEFORE SUCH PLAN IS IMPLEMENTED OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. THIS PLAN SHALL DETAIL THE CONSTRUCTION PHASING AND SCHEDULE AND THE SPECIFIC METHODS OF MAINTAINING SAFE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS THROUGHOUT THE CONSTRUCTION AREA. THIS PLAN SHALL PROVIDE THE LOCATION AND DETAILS OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SIGNING, MARKINGS, BARRICADES, CHANNELIZING DEVICES, TPARS AND METHODS TO MAINTAIN ACCESS TO ADJACENT PROPERTIES, BUSINESSES, RESIDENCES, ETC. PAYMENT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR CONTRACT ITEM 641.10 TRAFFIC CONTROL.

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